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1. Interface module for local data networks having an inductive component (7) used as a transformer for coupling interface circuits to a data line used to connect computers, with the inductive component having a magnetic core (9) and multiple windings applied to the core, characterized in that the inductive component (7) used as a transformer has a magnetic core (9) made of an amorphous or nanocrystalline alloy with a permeability $\mu > 15,000$ and the number of turns of the windings is between 5 and 25.

2. Interface module according to claim 1, characterized in that the amorphous or nanocrystalline alloy has a permeability $\mu > 30,000$.

3. Interface module according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the alloy has the composition $\text{Co}_a(\text{Fe}_{1-c}\text{Mn}_c)_b\text{Ni}_d\text{M}_e\text{Si}_x\text{B}_y\text{C}_z$, with M indicating one or more elements from the group Nb, Mo, Ta, Cr, W, Ge, and/or P and $a+b+d+e+x+y+z = 100$, with

Co $a = 40 - 82 \text{ at\%}$

Fe+Mn $b = 3 - 10 \text{ at\%}$

Mn/Fe $c = 0 - 1$

Ni $d = 0 - 30 \text{ at\%}$

M $e = 0 - 5 \text{ at\%}$

Si $x = 0 - 17 \text{ at\%}$

B $y = 8 - 26 \text{ at\%}$

C $z = 0 - 3 \text{ at\%}$

and $15 \text{ at\%} < e+x+y+z < 30 \text{ at\%}$.

4. Interface module according to claim 3,
characterized in that
the following relationships apply:

Co $a = 55 - 72 \text{ at\%}$

Mn/Fe $c = 0 - 0.5$

Ni $d = 0 - 20 \text{ at\%}$

M $e = 0 - 3 \text{ at\%}$

B $y = 8 - 20 \text{ at\%}$

Si $x = 1 - 18 \text{ at\%}$

and $20 \text{ at\%} < e+x+y+z < 30 \text{ at\%}$.

5. Interface module according to claim 1 or 2,
characterized in that
the alloy has the composition $\text{Fe}_x\text{Cu}_y\text{M}_z\text{Si}_v\text{B}_w$, with M indicating an
element from the group Nb, W, Ta, Zr, Hf, Ti, Mo, or a
combination of these and $x + y + z + v + w = 100\%$, with

Fe $x = 100\% - y - z - v - w$

Cu $y = 0.5 - 2 \text{ at\%}$

M $z = 1 - 6 \text{ at\%}$

Si $v = 6.5 - 18 \text{ at\%}$

B $w = 5 - 14 \text{ at\%}$

with $v + w > 18 \text{ at\%}$.

6. Interface module according to claim 5,
characterized in that
the following relationships apply:

Cu $y = 1 \text{ at\%}$

M $z = 2 - 4 \text{ at\%}$

Si $v = 14 - 17 \text{ at\%}$,

with $v + w = 20 \text{ to } 24 \text{ at\%}$.

$$\text{Fe} \quad x = 100 \text{ at\%} - y - z - v - w$$

Nb $z = 2 - 5 \text{ at\%}$

Cu w = 0.5 - 1.5 at%

8. Interface module according to claim 7,
characterized in that
the following relationships apply:

Zr $y = 3 - 4 \text{ at\%}$

Cu w = 1 at%

9. Interface module according to claim 1 or 2,
characterized in that

$$x = 100 \text{ at\%} - y - z - w$$

B ~~z~~ z = 3 - 9 at%

Cu / w = 0 - 1.5 at%.

10. Interface module according to claim 9, characterized in that the following relationships apply:

Fe $x = 83 - 91$ at%
M $y = 7$ at%.

11. Interface module according to claim 1 or 2,
characterized in that
the alloy has the composition $(\text{Fe}_{0.98}\text{Co}_{0.02})_{90-x}\text{Zr}_7\text{B}_{2+x}\text{Cu}_1$, with $x = 0$
- 3 at%, with the residual alloy component Co able to be
replaced by Ni with appropriate equalization.

12. Interface module according to claim 11,
characterized in that
 $x = 0$.

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